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DETAILED ACTION

1. The reply filed on 3/7/06 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action mailed 3/1/06 because of the following omission(s) or matter(s): Applicants fail to submit an argument under the heading "Remarks" pointing out disagreements with the examiner's contentions. Applicants also fail to discuss the references applied against the claims, explaining how the claims avoid the references or distinguish from them. See 37 CFR 1.111. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be bona fide, applicant is given ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).

2. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to (Jackie) Tan-Uyen T. Ho whose telephone number is 571-272-4696. The examiner can normally be reached on MULTIFLEX Mon. to Sat..

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, ANHTUAN NGUYEN can be reached on 571-272-4963. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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